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2005 Crop Values

UTAH: The preliminary value of principal crops including field crops, fruits, and vegetables produced in Utah during 2005 was \$320.3 million, up 11.4 percent from the 2004 crop year, according to the Utah Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The 2005 all hay crop was valued at \$244.2 million, up 12.7 percent from the 2004 value. The price per ton was up \$6.50 to \$95.00. Alfalfa hay was valued at \$213.7 million, up 12.8 percent from the 2004 value. The price per ton was \$96.00, up \$7.00 from the previous year. All other hay was valued at \$30.5 million, up 12 percent from the previous year. Oats, valued at \$920,000 was down 24.4 percent from 2004. The price of \$1.80 per bushel was down 15 cents from the previous year. Barley was valued at \$4.0 million, down 47 percent from the 2004 crop. The average price of \$2.10 per bushel was down 11 cents from 2004. The all wheat crop, at \$25.7 million, was up 14.6 percent. The price per bushel at \$3.65 was down 19 cents from last year. Winter wheat was valued at \$22.8 million, up 16.5 percent from 2004. The average price per bushel for winter wheat was \$3.60, a decrease of 20 cents from the previous year. Other spring wheat was valued at \$2.9 million, up 1.6 percent from last year. The average price per bushel for other spring wheat, at \$3.80 per bushel, was down 25 cents. Corn for grain was valued at \$4.6 million, down 3.5 percent from the previous year. The average price per bushel, at \$2.35, was down 21 cents from 2004. Dry edible beans was valued at \$400,000, an decrease of \$20,000 from 2004. The dry bean price was valued at \$17.40 per cwt, down \$12.60 from 2004.

UNITED STATES: Nationally, the value of principal crops totaled \$103.9 billion, down 2.7 percent from 2004. The value of principal crops compared with 2005 is as follows: all hay \$12.5 billion, up 2.3 percent; alfalfa hay \$7.3 billion, up 5 percent; all other hay \$5.17 billion, down 1.3 percent; oats \$187 million, up 5 percent; barley \$506.0 million, down 27.5 percent; all wheat \$7.1 billion, down 2 percent; winter wheat \$4.92 billion, down slightly from last year, other spring wheat \$1.85 billion, down 6.7 percent, corn for grain \$21.0 billion, down 13.7 percent; dry edible beans \$526.0 million, up 16.2 percent.